

Appendix M.

Letter from Mayor Thomas Taylor of Franklin



May 17, 2005

Stan Stojkovic, Ph.D.
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Re: Correspondence dated April 19, 2005

Dear Dr. Stojkovic:

On April 26, 2005 the City of Franklin received your April 19, 2005 letter soliciting assistance for the Sexually Violent Persons Transitional Facility Siting Advisory Committee (Committee). Thank you for including the City of Franklin and this office among the communities and public officials to whom you have also sent this correspondence.

I am unwilling to recommend to the Common Council of the City of Franklin any policy that would financially support the continuation of activities by the Committee that you chair. It is my understanding that the creation of your Committee was by action of the Wisconsin State Legislature and, therefore, it would appear to me that any and all of your requests should either be directed to the State Legislature or to the Governor's office.

It is my further understanding that neither you or your Committee has been empowered by the Wisconsin State Legislature to engage in policy-making initiatives. I believe that many of the items contained in your letter are therefore outside of the jurisdiction and/or job responsibilities of your Committee.

If, however, the Committee has questions specific to City of Franklin land use regulation please direct those questions to the office of the Franklin City Attorney, (414)529-8900.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Taylor
Mayor

cc: State Senator Mary Lazich
State Representative Jeff Stone
Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker
Milwaukee County Supervisor Paul Cesarz
Milwaukee County Supervisor Mark Borkowski